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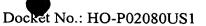
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application Filed Under 37 CFR 1.53(b) – Filing Date Granted mailed February 13, 2002, Applicants respectfully submit:

- 1. A Declaration executed by inventors Seiichi P. T. Matsuda and Elizabeth A. Hart;
  - 2. A Power of Attorney executed by the assignee, Rice University;
- 3. An Assignment executed by the inventors Seiichi P. T. Matsuda and Elizabeth A. Hart;
  - 4. Recordation Form Cover Sheet;
  - 5. Fee Transmittal
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- 7. Transmittal of initial sequence listing;
- 8. Initial paper copy of sequence listing;
- 9. Initial computer readable form (CD) copy of sequence listing; and
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Please charge our Deposit Account No. 06-2375 in the amount of \$65.00 covering the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith to our Deposit Account No. 06-2375, under Order No. 10025547. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Dated: April 15, 2002

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated February 13, 2002. Applicants are submitting their response herewith within the two-month response period set to expire on April 13, 2002.

Enclosed are the following:

- Initial paper copy of sequence listing;
- Initial computer readable form (CD) copy of sequence listing.

Applicants respectfully request the entry of the present statement in regard to the enclosed sequence listing in the above-referenced application.

Applicants state the information recorded in the computer readable form copy of the sequence listing is identical to the paper copy of the sequence listing.

Applicants also state that the submission does not include new matter.

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Applicants respectfully request the above-referenced patent application be placed upon the files for examination.

Applicants believe no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 06-2375, under Order No. 10025547 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the. above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$65.
- This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to the final rulemaking notice published at 55 FR 18230 (May 1, 1990), and 1114 OG 29 (May 15, 1990). If the effective filing date is on or after July 1, 1998, see the final rulemaking notice published at 63 FR 29620 (June 1, 1998) and 1211 OG 82 (June 23, 1998). If the effective filing date is on or after September 8, 2000, see the final rulemaking notice published in the Federal Register at 65 FR 54604 (September 8, 2000) and 1238 OG 145 (September 19, 2000). Applicant must provide an initial computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing", an initial paper or compact disc copy of the "Sequence Listing", as well as an amendment directing its entry into the application. Applicant must also provide a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper or compact disc) sequence listing and, where applicable, includes no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b), or 1.825(d). If applicant desires the sequence listing in the instant application to be identical with that of another application on file in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, such request in accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(e) may be submitted in lieu of a new CRF.

For questions regarding compliance to these requirements, please contact:

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